

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, after the paragraph inserted by the June 24, 2003 Preliminary Amendment, and before the first line of text, replace the heading with the following revised heading:

DESCRIPTION BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

On Page 5, before the paragraph beginning at line 16, insert the following heading:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

On Page 13, before the paragraph beginning at line 4, insert the following heading:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

On Page 13, replace the paragraphs appearing, lines 18-24 with the following revised paragraphs and heading:

Fig. 4 shows a longitudinally sectioned view of a carotid artery, with the catheter in position and the inflatable/deflatable elements in the expanded ~~condition.~~ condition;

~~Figs. 5 and 6~~ Figs. 5, 6 and 7 are longitudinal sectional views as that of ~~fig. 3,~~ Fig. 3, showing ~~two slight~~ three slightly different embodiments of the catheter according to the invention.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

On Page 16, replace the paragraph beginning at line 21 with the following rewritten paragraph.

The balloons 9 and 12, when not inflated, can also be comprised within the profile of the catheter portion onto which they are fitted (Fig. 7).